



Wednesday, April 22 2015 – 7pm
Mahany/Meininger Senior/Community Center (3500 Marais)

Members Present: Jennifer Acevedo, Kyle Dubuc, Kathy Guest, Chris Hartwig, Amanda Herzog, Tom Nagle, Greg Rassel, Greg Rassel, Tom Regan, Blaine Tillander, Jason Wagner

Public Present:

MINUTES

1. Approval of November, January, February, and March minutes.
Approved.
2. Greg Rassel report
Chris asked if tree got planted.
3. Public Comment
No public comment.
4. Old business
 - a. Earth Day Open House report
Chris stated that coming an hour early wasn't worth it, and should consider this for future volunteers. Claire Galad gave Chris notepad of tips for recycling, and said that they collect books for book sale. Chris asked if we should try something similar for our electronics recycling event.
 - b. Beaumont follow up (field trip, talk on ROI)
Tom Nagle will follow up on green team from maureen
 - c. WRC pilot project (Jennifer)
Jennifer stated she had no luck in regards to this.

d. 696 overpass and WA3 (Blaine)

Blaine emailed Deborah Schutt, who is executive director. Blaine will send out link for updates. She suggested we attend the 696 and Woodward charette (brain storming session). Some ideas for Woodward include a bike lane that would run from the river to the Detroit Zoo. Blaine also met with Todd Fenton, the Economic Development Manager for Royal Oak. Blaine will send follow email, with the email that was sent to him.

e. Spring event (Jennifer and Blaine)

Royal Oak in Bloom, May 10th. 7am – 2pm.

Michigan Rain Barrels will be at event. Lillian Dean is sending volunteers. Joshua Rubin would help elderly, and can help others for a small fee. Jennifer is bringing native plant documentation.

Shifts

7am – 10:30 Tom, Amanda

10:30 – 2 Jennifer, Jeff

Jennifer will send to Judy.

f. Tree planting campaign (Anne)

Anne was not in attendance.

g. City resolution on recycling or other goal.

Kyle tried to work it into priorities of the Commission. Jason stated that Hazel Park set a baseline of what they do today. Perhaps we measure what we do today. Kyle stated that he has brought up that the city should have a vision to increase recycling over two years. Kyle stated RES. Tom Nagle stated that we should use Ann Arbor as a model.

Jennifer Acevedo has suggested we bring in Dearborn director sustainability manager. Tom Nagle can get Detroit Zoo sustainability manager.

5. Leaflet

Blaine will revamp flyer. Group will send suggestions to Blaine.

6. Calendar

a. May – June bike ride?

Tom said not going to happen.

b. Royal Oak Bike Expo Sunday May 17th bike event.

Tom Regan will be there. Asking for others to join him.

c. Saturday, June 6th electronic recycling event.

Preliminary shifts. Will discuss further at our next meeting.

9:00 – 11 Kathy, Blaine, Chris, Tom Nagle

11 – 1 Jennifer,

d. SEMREO – Friday May 1st at 8am.

Tom Regan will forward invite.

e. Democratic club – Speaker from ROEAB at a meeting.

f. Saturday July 25th: Bikes, Brunch and Beer

Tom will send invite.

7. New Business

Cowspiracy – Greenhouse gas is the largest source of greenhouse gas. Tom will host movie at his house on May 2nd.

Fracking ban – This will be on the ballot for November 2016.

PACE – We decided to keep this on the agenda. The Detroit Zoo met with Andy Levin to discuss PACE.